



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held March 6, 2007, the Board took the following action:

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The following statement was entered into the record for Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Antonovich:

“At the request of Los Angeles County, the United States Census Bureau recently designated the San Fernando Valley as a ‘census county district’ (CCD). Under this CCD, census data will now be made available for the entire San Fernando Valley, including portions of Los Angeles, Calabasas and other cities as well as an unincorporated area. The CCD designation will enable businesses, nonprofits and government agencies within the San Fernando Valley to receive and interpret data that crosses city boundaries such that the entire Valley can be considered as one entity.

“As a part of this effort, the Economic Alliance of the San Fernando Valley and the San Fernando Valley Economic Research Center at California State University, Northridge (CSUN) have begun developing an annual ‘Economic Forecast for the San Fernando Valley’ and a ‘San Fernando Valley Economic Report.’ These documents are invaluable for the continuing development of the San Fernando Valley as an economic whole.

“State Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1095 (r) allows the release of confidential State Employment Development Department information ‘(t)o enable city and county planning agencies to develop economic forecasts for planning purposes.’ State statute requires that the County Board of Supervisors express its willingness to enter into such a contract by way of resolution.

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“Moreover, under State law, this data may be made available to entities or individuals who have contracted with a governmental planning agency to prepare an economic report or develop an economic forecast.

“The County may contract with CSUN to complete the development of its economic forecast and allow it to utilize this data, subject to detailed State and Federal rules regarding confidentiality, indemnification, and the return or destruction of the data when the time period for its use has ended.”

Therefore, at the suggestion of Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Antonovich, and on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Molina, unanimously carried (Supervisor Yaroslavsky being absent), the Board took the following actions:

1. Adopted the attached resolution indicating the Board’s interest in entering into an agreement with the State of California Employment Development Department (EDD) for the release of confidential employer (ES-202) information in accordance with the provisions of Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1095(r) and of 20 CFR 603, which enables City and County planning agencies to develop economic forecasts for planning purposes; and
2. Instructed County Counsel to:
 - Review the necessary agreement with the State EDD and authorize the Chairman to sign the agreement; and
 - Prepare a contract between the County and California State University, Northridge for completion of the economic forecast and allowing the use of the State EDD data for a period of one year only, subject to the confidentiality, security and indemnification provisions required by State and Federal laws, and authorize the Chairman to sign the contract.

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Attachments

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